

AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION/MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT		1. CONTRACT ID CODE	PAGE OF PAGES
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8. NAME AND ADDRESS OF CONTRACTOR (No., street, county, State and ZIP Code)		(✓)	9A. AMENDMENT OF SOLICITATION NO. PR-NC-02-10696
To All Offerors/Bidders.		✓	9B. DATED (SEE ITEM 11) 02/07/03
			10A. MODIFICATION OF CONTRACT/ORDER NO.
			10B. DATED (SEE ITEM 13)
CODE	FACILITY CODE		

11. THIS ITEM ONLY APPLIES TO AMENDMENTS OF SOLICITATIONS

☒ The above numbered solicitation is amended as set forth in Item 14. The hour and date specified for receipt of Offers ☐ is extended, ☒ is not extended. Offers must acknowledge receipt of this amendment prior to the hour and date specified in the solicitation or as amended, by one of the following methods:

(a) By completing Items 8 and 15, and returning 1 copies of the amendment; (b) By acknowledging receipt of this amendment on each copy of the offer submitted; or (c) By separate letter or telegram which includes a reference to the solicitation and amendment numbers. FAILURE OF YOUR ACKNOWLEDGMENT TO BE RECEIVED AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED FOR THE RECEIPT OF OFFERS PRIOR TO THE HOUR AND DATE SPECIFIED MAY RESULT IN REJECTION OF YOUR OFFER. If by virtue of this amendment you desire to change an offer already submitted, such change may be made by telegram or letter, provided each telegram or letter makes reference to the solicitation and this amendment, and is received prior to the opening hour and date specified.

12. ACCOUNTING AND APPROPRIATION DATA (If required)**13. THIS ITEM APPLIES ONLY TO MODIFICATIONS OF CONTRACTS/ORDERS, IT MODIFIES THE CONTRACT/ORDER NO. AS DESCRIBED IN ITEM 14.**

(✓)	A. THIS CHANGE ORDER IS ISSUED PURSUANT TO: (Specify authority) THE CHANGES SET FORTH IN ITEM 14 ARE MADE IN THE CONTRACT ORDER NO. IN ITEM 10A
	B. THE ABOVE NUMBERED CONTRACT/ORDER IS MODIFIED TO REFLECT THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHANGES (such as changes in paying office, appropriation date, etc.) SET FORTH IN ITEM 14, PURSUANT TO THE AUTHORITY OF FAR 43.103(b).
	C. THIS SUPPLEMENTAL AGREEMENT IS ENTERED INTO PURSUANT TO AUTHORITY OF:
	D. OTHER (Specify type of modification and authority)

E. IMPORTANT: Contractor ☐ is not, ☐ is required to sign this document and return _____ copies to the issuing office.

14. DESCRIPTION OF AMENDMENT/MODIFICATION (Organized by UCF section headings, including solicitation/contract subject matter where feasible.)

Except as provided herein, all terms and conditions of the document referenced in Item 9A or 10A, as heretofore changed, remains unchanged and in full force and effect.

15A. NAME AND TITLE OF SIGNER (Type or print)		16A. NAME AND TITLE OF CONTRACTING OFFICER (Type or print)	
		Robert D Flowers	
15B. CONTRACTOR/OFFEROR	15C. DATE SIGNED	16B. UNITED STATES OF AMERICA	16C. DATE SIGNED
(Signature of person authorized to sign)		(Signature of Contracting Officer)	

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AMENDMENTS TO THE SOLICITATION

Questions and Answers

Proposals are due March 10, 2003, at 3:30 p.m.

1. **Question:** In question 10, it was asked if the existing sampler parts would be made available. The response indicates that the offer must ask for a specific number of these parts. The existing program has a known number of sampler filter/denuder modules. Could this number be provided to offerors?

Answer: Offerors should propose how many modules/cassettes are needed per sampler to meet their proposed shipping schedules and logistical plan.

2. **Question:** Question 11 in amendment 1 refers to the contract end and start dates. Was there an overlap in contracts considered but not made available for some reason? It seems that if the EPA is open to a new contractor taking over this program, an overlap period would be essential. Would a proposed overlap period be considered?

Answer: If a proposed overlap period is required, we would consider it. As stated before, offerors should address this in their transition plan.

3. **Question:** Question 16 in amendment 1 asked for program specific documentation. The references available on the internet, as listed in Provision L.18 are not specific to the program. In other words, it does not appear that the current contractor was required to provide the current SOPs, QAPP or an example of deliverables. Could more pertinent documentation to this specific contract please be made available?

Answer: The current SOP's and QAPP cannot be provided. These documents were determined to be company confidential by the current contractor.

4. **Question:** Is the maximum potential contract value given in the response to question 17 in amendment 1 correct? The EPA website showing current contracts lists a value in the \$20 million range. As asked the question states "can the government provide the current cost per sample type as listed in Section B of the solicitation?"

Answer: The maximum potential value of the previous contract was incorrect in amendment 1, it should have been \$20,589,880. No, the Government cannot provide the current cost per sample type.

5. **Question:** In the response to question 22 in amendment 1, the configuration of the FRM samplers is given. There is no mention of a denuder. Can it be assumed that no denuder is being used?

Answer: Correct. No denuder is being used.

6. **Question:** Question 29 in amendment 1 was a request to physically examine one of each sample module type as used in the speciation

program. In order for an offeror, other than the incumbent, to design a suitable shipping container, it would be necessary to have, at a minimum, the physical dimensions and weight for each component. The information given is neither a schematic nor sufficient to design such a container. Could the dimensions and weights of the sample modules and shipping containers be made available? Again could the actual samplers and containers be made available for inspection?

Answer: If offerors would like the dimensions they may call the various vendors listed below for dimensions.

MetOne - Dave Gobeli, (909) 371-7877
DGobeli@metone.com

URG - Jon Stone, (919) 942-2753
URGCORP@compuserve.com

Rupprecht & Patashnick Co - Mike Meyer, (518) 452-0065
mbmeyer@rpco.com

Thermo Environmental - Eric Kirleis, (508) 520-1460
ekirleis@thermoei.com

7. **Question:** The response to question 33 in amendment 1 does not state if the R&P denuder is coated with sodium carbonate or MgO. Can you please clarify?

Answer: The R & P denuder is coated with Sodium Carbonate.